

Stroke Hospital Comments

Anna Jaques Hospital
BI Deaconess Medical Center
Boston Medical Center
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Caritas Norwood Hospital
Caritas St. Elizabeth's Medical Center
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Massachusetts General Hospital
Morton Hospital and Medical Center
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Nashoba Valley Medical Center
Newton-Wellesley Hospital
Noble Hospital
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North Shore Medical Center – Union
Northeast Hospitals – Addison Gilbert Hospital
Northeast Hospitals – Beverly Hospital
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Saint Anne's Hospital
Saints Memorial Medical Center
South Shore Hospital
Southcoast Hospitals Group
Sturdy Memorial Hospital
Winchester Hospital

Anna Jaques Hospital

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Total cases for Anna Jaques Hospital = 68

3 out of 7 death records were Subacute admissions not Anna Jaques Hospital

4 out of 7 death records from Anna Jaques Hospital

BI Deaconess Medical Center

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Boston Medical Center

Disagree with ARHQ'S denominator:

BMC Total Cases = 362

Obs Rate = 14.36

Brigham and Women's Hospital

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Brockton Hospital

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Caritas Carney Hospital

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Stroke: 13/103 – denominator higher from our database

Caritas Good Samaritan Medical Center

Stroke: 16/122

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Caritas Holy Family Hospital

Stroke: 23/178

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Caritas Norwood Hospital

Stroke: 20/209 – denominator higher from our database

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Caritas St. Elizabeth's Medical Center

Stroke: 13/162 – denominator higher from our database

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Hallmark H.S. – Lawrence Memorial Hospital

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Hallmark H. S. – Melrose-Wakefield Hospital

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Heywood Hospital

Stroke: 54 cases / 7 deaths

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Lahey Clinic

Stroke: Lahey Clinic is recognized by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health as a regional center of excellence in caring for stroke patients. We measure and monitor the quality of stroke care on an ongoing basis.

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Marlborough Hospital

Stroke: Marlborough Hospital has been designated as a provider of Primary Stroke Services by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health.

Massachusetts General Hospital

The MGH Stroke Service has been an innovator in both acute stroke care and stroke quality improvement. Our service provides tertiary care interventions for acute ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke for the most severely impaired patients across Massachusetts and the New England border states. We receive these patients by both ground and air ambulance for intravenous, surgical and catheter-based interventions for ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke. In light of the complexity of our stroke patients and high technology services that we provide for many of our patients, higher costs are not surprising. In addition, we have championed the American Heart Association's Get with the Guidelines - Stroke national initiative to improve hospital-based ischemic stroke care quality, and were recognized in 2004 with the first ever Performance Achievement Award for high compliance rates in 7 key areas.

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Morton Hospital and Medical Center

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Nantucket Cottage Hospital

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Nashoba Valley Medical Center

Stroke Cases: 25 Deaths: 3

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Newton-Wellesley Hospital

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Noble Hospital

Most of the mortality at Noble is due to inoperable massive hemorrhage.

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North Adams Regional Hospital

Certified as a Massachusetts Primary Stroke Service working in collaboration with Massachusetts General Hospital

North Shore Medical Center - Salem Hospital [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)

North Shore Medical Center - Union Hospital [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)

Northeast Hospitals – Addison Gilbert Hospital

Stroke: The data presented in this category includes patients who were admitted for care and comfort in the Hospice unit. The correct information for Addison Gilbert Hospital is 3 deaths out of 38 patients. The report inappropriately includes 9 deaths in this category of patients admitted to the Hospice unit for terminal care.

CORRECT DATA - Stroke - Total of 3 deaths in 38 cases
Mortality Rate change from 27.91 to 7.89

Northeast Hospitals – Beverly Hospital

Stroke: Using the codes that were listed in the report for this category the correct number of patients treated for stroke at Beverly was 153, not 119.

CORRECT DATA – Stroke – Total of 14 deaths in 153 cases
Mortality Rate change from 11.76 to 9.15

Quincy Hospital [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)

Saint Anne's Hospital [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)

Saints Memorial Medical Center [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)
SMMC is designated as a Stroke Center by the State of Massachusetts to provide high quality care to patients presenting with strokes.

South Shore Hospital [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)

Southcoast Hospitals Group [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)

Sturdy Memorial Hospital [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)
Stroke: Even though our mortality rate is within the expected range, it is noteworthy that 12 of the 13 deaths were Do Not Resuscitate (DNR) patients.

Winchester Hospital [\(Link to General Comments\)](#)
Stroke – Winchester Hospital's mortality rate is statistically consistent with the expectations and our estimated cost per procedure is within the lowest 25% of the hospitals in the study.